

Proposed Bill No. 6808

January Session, 2007

LCO No. 3109

Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by: REP. JUTILA, 37th Dist.

AN ACT INCREASING PENALTIES FOR THE SALE OF TOBACCO TO MINORS AND TOBACCO PURCHASES BY MINORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That section 12-295a of the general statutes be amended to (1) 2 increase the penalty for (A) any minor who has purchased cigarettes or 3 tobacco products from fifty dollars to one hundred dollars for the first 4 violation and one hundred dollars to one hundred fifty dollars for any 5 second or subsequent violation, (B) any person employed by a dealer 6 or distributor who has sold, given or delivered cigarettes or tobacco 7 products to a minor from one hundred dollars to two hundred dollars 8 for the first violation and one hundred fifty dollars to two hundred 9 fifty dollars for a second or subsequent violation within eighteen 10 months, and (C) any dealer or distributor who has sold, given or 11 delivered cigarettes or tobacco products to a minor, from two hundred 12 fifty dollars to three hundred dollars for the first violation and from 13 five hundred dollars to seven hundred fifty dollars for a second or 14 subsequent violation, and (2) require that such penalties be 15 prominently displayed wherever cigarettes are sold.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase penalties related to the purchase of tobacco by minors.